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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 270
By Overbey

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Elmer Mize on his
selection as 2001 Blount County Citizen of the
Year.

WHEREAS, The Tennessee General Assembly is very proud of the history and heritage of the Volunteer State and is deeply appreciative of those generous citizens who devote their time, energy and leadership to preserving our panoramic history and proud heritage; and

WHEREAS, It was with great pleasure that we learned that the Blount County Senior Citizens Home Assistance Service will appropriately recognize Elmer Mize, one of Tennessee's leading historians, as their Citizen of the Year; and

WHEREAS, His many contributions to the community will be specially commemorated at the annual 2001 Blount County Citizen of the Year Luncheon on May 14; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mize's exemplary record as a leading historian in Tennessee and Blount County will also be honored; and

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WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Maryville and a graduate of Maryville City Schools, he developed a strong interest in the history of Tennessee and in particular that of Blount County at an early age; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished historian pursued this interest, by furthering his education at Maryville College and the University of Tennessee; he is a distinguished graduate of both institutions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mize was a founding member of the Blount County Genealogical and Historical Society, a group that has been instrumental in promoting remembrance and reflection on the rich heritage of one of Tennessee's most historic areas; and

WHEREAS, He also served admirably as the highly regarded editor of *The Blount County Journal* for 17 years; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to salute this fine citizen; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Elmer Mize on being named 2001 Citizen of the Year by the Senior Citizens Home Assistance Service and wish him well in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

WHEREAS,